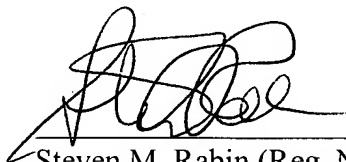


REMARKS

Claims 3-9 and 12 are amended to eliminate multiple claim dependencies. New claims 15-20 add back the dependencies eliminated from claims 3-8. Please enter the Preliminary Amendment prior to calculating the filing fee. Examination of the amended application respectfully is requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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